

JOHN HIBBERT.

MARCH 5, 1840.

Read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. STRONG, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Hibbert, beg leave to report :

That the petitioner states in his petition, which is not verified by his oath, that he enlisted at Wiscasset, in March, 1813, in Captain John Binney's company, in the 4th regiment of infantry, for during the war ; and that he was honorably discharged from the service in May, 1815: that he was disabled at Plattsburg, some time in the beginning of the winter after he enlisted, by helping to carry logs on his shoulders; and all he has done ever since, he has had to do (using his language) "in pain and misery."

The deposition of John Kincaid (who is certified by a magistrate to be a man of truth) sets forth, that he was a soldier in said company some time in April, 1813; that the petitioner, then a soldier in the same company, was a well, stout, able-bodied man; and that he knows that, in the first of the winter following, the petitioner was disabled, by helping to carry logs on his back to build barracks for winter quarters at Plattsburg, and was sick in the company barracks most of that winter.

The deposition of John Colby, who is certified by a magistrate to be a man of good character, shows that the petitioner was a stout, able-bodied man in March, 1813; that, in one year after he enlisted, his health began to fail, and he was reduced to a very feeble state, and was not able to do duty; that the petitioner lost his health in the service of the United States, while in the line of his duty; and that, in 1815, he was honorably discharged from the service.

The certificate of Nathaniel Ford, M. D., sworn to by him, states that, "upon a full and faithful examination of Mr. John Hibbert, I have no hesitation in affirming that, from constitutional infirmities of long standing, such as *prolapsus ani* of a severe character, gravel, &c., he must perform labor with great inconvenience and pain. From these severe difficulties, I should consider him incompetent to perform ordinary labor."

Various certificates accompany the petition, but the committee do not feel at liberty to regard them, they not being under oath.

In the opinion of the committee, there is not sufficient proof of the kind of injury the petitioner received while in the service of the United States, or of the extent of his present disability, nor that such disability as he may labor under was occasioned by that injury; and they, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

JOHN HIBBERT.

MARCH 8, 1840.
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Mr. STROCK, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

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That the petitioner states in his petition, which is not verified by his oath, that he enlisted at Wisconsin, in March, 1813, in Captain John Binney's company, in the 4th regiment of infantry, for during the war; and that he was honorably discharged from the service in May, 1815; that after he was disabled at Plattsburg, some time in the beginning of the winter after he enlisted, by helping to carry logs on his shoulders; and all he has done ever since, he has had to do (using his language) "in pain and misery."

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